# **Budget Message**

2009--2010



#### BUDGET MESSAGE Fiscal Year 2009-2010

Letter of Transmittal May 4, 2009

The Honorable Nick Picerno
The Honorable Members, Moore County Board of Commissioners

#### **GENERAL OVERVIEW**

This message is intended to convey succinctly and with purpose the key factors in this budget. As is well understood, the budget represents the financial plan for the County of Moore for the FY 2009-2010. At the adoption of the FY 2008-2009 budget, the Manager directed to staff that this coming year will be a year determined by a targeted budget. A targeted budget cuts expenditures to match resources. This meant a no tax increase budget. This position was affirmed by the Board of Commissioners at its Business Planning Retreat in January 2009. The Manager was directed to recommend a budget with no tax increase and possibly with a tax decrease.

The County was already watching the national media predict a recession. Needless to say, we all are very well aware of the tumultuous, impacting, and deteriorating financial, global conditions. Close to home the State of North Carolina is now predicting the State will have a \$3.2 billion budget shortfall. Several counties in North Carolina are facing very serious financial conditions. Various strategies have been used to address many different financial circumstances.

As of November 1, 2008 the Manager directed a series of budget reduction strategies to begin to reduce spending and prepare for revenue shortfalls. Departments were directed to submit priority lists of cuts up to 10% in the event further cuts were needed. Budget preparation began in November as departments began to reevaluate needs for the next year based on reduced revenue. Each department was instructed to submit a budget with a 5% reduction relative from FY2009. Each revenue of the County was continuously watched to project to the end of the year. We continue that projection.

In the beautiful, green ambience of Moore County beats a strong financial heart. Historically, this County has been less affected by steep, cyclical swings of the economy. The socio-economic demographics and the commercially and industrially diverse characteristics of our economy tend to protect us from most bad downswings. But, we do have negative impacts. These are not as bad, relatively, as most of our neighboring counties. Where others are experiencing 12 to 18 percent revenue drops, Moore County is projecting between 4 to 5 percent. The 5% budget reduction is a necessity and must be done responsibly while providing mandated services and maintaining excellence in our service delivery.

Chart I will be available as an overview to the budget document to describe all General Fund departments and enterprises, the two comparative years and the percent reductions. Not all departments can meet the 5%, but most have exceeded the cut to allow for an overall 5% reduction in General Fund operations. This list will show how severe these cuts are.

#### **REVENUES**

The Revenue side of the budget ends with real and personal taxes. To the extent that all other revenues from sales and other taxes, fees, grants, reimbursements, and transfers are applied to the operating budget, the real and personal taxes are reduced. If the State reduces or eliminates certain sales or other taxes and other revenue, the real and personal taxes have to be used to provide services mandated by the State. With the State in a severe budget revenue shortfall, counties are in dire jeopardy of losing revenue to the State. This is stated emphatically, because it is possibly the greatest, financially disruptive impact that might happen between now and June 30th. Otherwise, the County appears to be in a sound financial condition.

The following **Chart II** shows an extraordinary equity in that the efficient and dedicated process of the Tax Department staff and the positive response from our citizens result in almost all citizens paying their real and personal taxes. Higher collections mean lower tax rates.

Chart II

County Real/Personal Tax Collection Rates

Year	Collection %	Tax Rate by year	Uncollected at year end	
1999-00	99.42%	0.4900	125,706	
2000-01	99.51%	0.5300	117,317	
2001-02	99.50%	0.5450	129,344	
2002-03	99.11%	0.5450	239,540	
2003-04	99.55%	0.4750	149,659	
2004-05	99.58%	0.4750	142,724	
2005-06	99.64%	0.4550	122,795	
2006-07	99.61%	0.4550	137,655	
2007-08	99.66%	0.4450	158,046	
2008-09	98.68% (10 months)	0.4790	759,120	

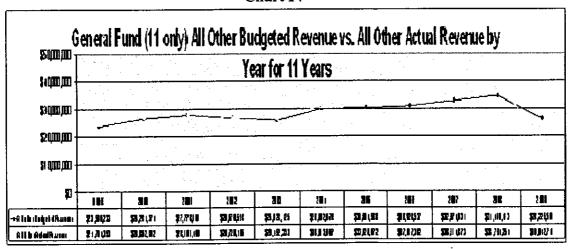
Motor Vehicle taxes are usually difficult to collect due to the transient nature of the tax base. Moore County has an excellent collection rate compared to other counties. Chart III demonstrates the collection rate over ten years. Obviously, FY 2009 is only a partial year.

Chart III
County Motor Vehicles Tax Collection Rates

Year	Collection %	Tax Rate by year	Uncollected at year end	
1999-00	92.42%	0.4900	199,319	
2000-01	91.07%	0.5300	287,020	
2001-02	93.61%	0.5450	195,259	
2002-03	91.76%	0.5450	306,423	
2003-04	92.04%	0.4750	247,137	
2004-05	94.17%	0.4750	180,317	
2005-06	94.08%	0.4550	205,268	
2006-07	94.08%	0.4550	195,284	
2007-08	94.04%	0.4450	202,320	
2008-09	88.24%	0.4790	336,668	

The revenues of the County are in two categories: 1) real and personal property taxes are about 50 to 57% of the total revenues. Property taxes have been realized as budgeted. All other revenues are the Second Category. This category of revenues is projected to shortfall about 4 to 5 percent. A history of the second category of revenue (All Other) is presented in **Chart IV** with budget to actual comparisons for eleven years.

**Chart IV** 



An additional important aspect of the budget is the continuing maintenance of the approved Fiscal Policy. Contained therein are the requirements of the undesignated fund balance. Chart V shows the history of the improvement of the fund balance. This improvement has enabled the County to have its credit ratings upgraded twice within one year from an A level to an AA level. This is estimated to save the County about \$2,500,000 from interest reductions over the life of the currently issued new and refunded bonds. It is strategic to the maintenance of the County's credit rating that the Fiscal Policy be consistently controlling. The fund balance drives the capital reserve and allows debt service for capital projects to be paid with no tax increase.

Chart V
County Historical Fund Balance
(Audited)

	Undesignated Fund Balance	Fund Balance as a % of	(Designated) Fund Balance	Fund Balance
Fiscal Year	<u>June 30</u>	<b>Expenditures</b>	<u>Appropriated</u>	<u>Used</u>
1997	\$ 3,443,581	8.51%	\$2,447,039	0
1998	\$ 3,956,870	9.14%	\$2,569,650	0
1999	\$ 3,354,134	6.87%	\$4,226,450	\$391,587
2000	\$ 2,566,350	4.88%	\$3,837,564	\$ 1,074,191
2001	\$ 2,423,941	4.21%	\$3,474,781	\$ 1,798,772
2002	\$1,711,290	2.96%	\$6,703,356	\$ 1,921,725
2003	\$5,180,121	8.84%	\$3,971,110	\$ 1,717,176
2004	\$8,970,289	14.24%	\$1,319,946	0
2005	\$8,265,847	12.47%	\$2,273,698	0
2006	\$9,439,529	13.58%	\$5,988,448	0
2007	\$17,996,937	24.05%	\$8,416,943	0
2008	\$22,478,657	28.53%	\$1,349,411	0

#### **EXPENDITURES**

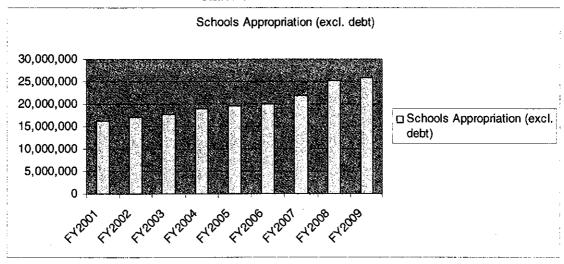
Where does the County spend the appropriated funds? The next Chart (VI) will visually demonstrate what drives the County services costs. By far, the largest investment the County makes is in education. In referendums just recently and over the years, the citizens of this County have indicated by a margin of 70% (Schools) and 62% (College) that education is very important to them and to the future of this County. Human Services and Public are provided the next two largest funding.

Chart VI
10 Year Expenditure Analysis

	Public	Human	Education
	Safety	Services	
1999	\$ 5,594,854	\$12,553,434	\$16,572,091
2000	\$ 5,980,828	13,772,769	\$17,661,661
2001	\$ 6,315,812	15,587,379	\$18,960,377
2002	\$ 6,299,723	15,726,498	\$19,740,153
2003	\$ 6,296,029	16,190,131	\$20,475,494
2004	\$ 7,134,382	16,973,005	\$21,991,838
2005	\$ 7,838,136	18,108,215	\$22,684,354
2006	\$8,571,140	19,375,086	\$23,722,362
2007	\$9,854,855	20,384,852	\$25,867,807
2008	\$10,640,019	20,154,478	\$29,248,424

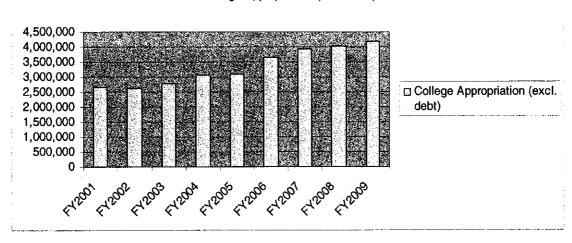
The funding of the largest budgetary item is critical to understand the major pressures on the tax levy. The next two charts (VII, VIII) show the funding support the County has given to the Public Schools and to Sandhills Community College.





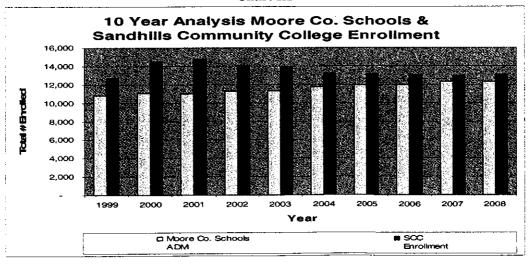
**Chart VIII** 





The economy downturn has increased the unemployment rate. This typically results in increased enrollment at the College and is currently stated to be up by 10%.. With the BRAC transition by 2011, increased enrollment in the Schools is a possibility. Enrollments over the last ten years are shown on Chart IX.

**Chart IX** 



In order to maintain a no tax increase status, it is unfortunately necessary to cut both the College and the Schools. Although each has cooperatively followed the request to present current expense and operating budgets with no increase, the College has a \$378,140 overall increase in debt service. The Schools have an increase of \$1,127,670 in its debt service. Both of these are requirements from taxes. The Manager recommends:

#### ■ Sandhills Community College

Request:	Current Expense:	4,135,541	Recommendation:
	Capital Outlay	50,000	4,563,681
	Debt Service	378,140 (net increase)	- <u>189,070</u>
		4.563.681	4,374,611

To cut from Current Expense is the equivalent of a 4.6% cut.

#### ■ Moore County Public Schools

Request:	Current Expense	24,935,195	Recommendation:
	Capital Outlay	1,133,950	27,196,815
	Debt Service	1,127,670 (net increase)	<u>- 840,000</u>
		27,196,815	26,356,815

To cut from Current Expense is the equivalent of a 3.4% cut.

The County General Fund total budget is \$87,512,323. The total Education budget is \$37,731.053. Education represents 43.12% of the County General Fund budget. The inclusion of Education in the General Fund represents an overall increase of 3.08%. Without the inclusion of Education, the General Fund operating and Capital budgets are decreased 4.6%. Without considering the transfers to the Capital Reserve, the County operating and capital reduction is 10.57%. This is a close reflection of how much the County departments have cut budgets.

This County budget is complex in many ways and does not lend itself to easy calculations. Education represents a large part of our budget and, with added, mandated State services, the budget does not have very large controllable costs. After much review, analysis, and deep drilling into the aspects of this budget in order to find and make responsible reductions in operating and capital costs, the result is a one cent reduction in the tax levy.

The Financial Efficiency Committee was correct in their assessment of further reductions. The financial analysis shows that further reductions will severely and negatively affect the ability to have a viable, capital reserve with the ability to avoid tax increases in our debt service. If the county wants to build a courthouse in the future, to have a real pay-as-you-go process, to hold the capital debt costs level with no increase in taxes for our citizens, to be able to remove future spikes in the budget caused by necessary capital replacements, to retain and continue to improve our credit ratings, then it is important to note that these may be lost if the financial structure approved by the Board is disrupted. With revenue loss in the category other than property taxes, it is difficult to find a responsible way to further reduce taxes.

Due to the roller coaster, global economy, the increased unemployment, and the possibility of further descending into a pit of deeper recession, stringent measures are necessary to prepare the County for further revenue loss. To overestimate or overcut the budget can be financially debilitating. Revenues have been projected conservatively to avoid drastic, mid-year reductions. The uncertainty of job stability and the improvement of the unemployment levels require the County to cut personnel costs.

This budget does not have funding for cost of living increases, pay steps, performance pay, or for longevity. This has been discussed with employee groups. They have responded well and understand the economic necessity. These cuts can hopefully avoid employee lay-offs.

Cutting longevity is the most difficult of all. The other cuts are future increases. Longevity is seen as compensation, especially, by our long time and faithful employees. It is tantamount to cutting the salaries of a group of our employees. If during budget work sessions, any thing can be added back, this will be the Manager's first recommendation. Additionally, it is important to convey that our employees have fervently asked, if longevity must be considered, that it simply be unfunded for this fiscal year and reinstated next year if the economy improves. This is a reasonable request from our employees and, if unfunded, the Manager emphatically supports reinstatement next year. To retain our valuable, knowledgeable, and experienced staff, it is important to continue to recognize and reward their continued service to the County.

#### PUBLIC SAFETY: FIRE, RESCUE, and EMERGENCY MEDICAL RESPONSE:

Given that County departments, including Social Services and Public Health, the Schools, the College, non-profits, and others have complied to the extent possible with significant cuts, the fire departments and the rescue squads requests have been reviewed and assessed. Our volunteers provide valuable and mission critical service to citizens in time of need. During discussions last year fire departments agreed not to ask for increases this year if they received the budgets negotiated. Almost all departments received more funding than the approved budget due to tax collection percentages.

The departments were asked by the Public Safety Director to set aside any additional money from last year for capital purchases. Most departments received extra funding. The level of extra funding was used as a basis for a 5% reduction. This will result in most departments receiving about the same amount of funding as FY09. The wild card for some of the seventeen departments is that some fire districts lost part of their tax base. If a department received less funding than last year, it most likely is due to their tax base. A schedule of full details of calculations and results is included in the budget package.

Near the beginning of the budget process in November, the Manager and Public Safety Director began an assessment of the fund equity in Advanced Life Support. The tax to support the County Emergency Medical Response began at 5 cents and was later dropped to 4 cents. In FY 08, the rate was dropped to 3 cents at the recommendation of the County Manager. In FY 09, the rate was recommended to be cut to 2.5 cents. An analysis of equity, revenue, operating and capital needs has been done. The Manager's is recommendation to further reduce the ALS tax to 2 cents.

#### SUMMARY:

The County is required to meet all its debt obligations which include a 15.2% increase. The Schools and College together represent 43% of the General Fund budget and show no decrease due to debt service funding. This budget through the structured plans for the capital reserve fund and its infusion of funds into the debt service defeasance for capital projects allows payment for the \$70 million in education bonds, the three new County buildings, and the financial software to be accomplished at no tax increase. It also allows a pay-as-you-go and depreciation funding.

This budget recommends a five percent reduction of the County operating and capital budgets to meet the projection of reduced Category Two Revenue. The property tax revenue budget has already been met this fiscal year. This budget recommends a one cent tax reduction. The total tax decreases for each tax district are exhibited on Chart IX as an addendum.

Through the doom and gloom of recession comes the optimism of an uplifting economy. Moore County unemployment rates were 5.8% last May, climbed to 11% in February and have declined to 10.2% as of April 27<sup>th</sup>. After severe swings, the Dow has climbed back to 8400. The media is trying to be the harbinger of good news and optimism for an improving economy. Time will tell. This budget is submitted as a responsible plan to provide for mandated and necessary services while preparing for the progress of Moore County as it moves toward helping to improve the quality of life of each of its citizens. One Team. One Mission.

Respectfully Submitted,

T. Cary Mc wain County Manager County of Moore

## Addendum Total Tax Reductions by District

CURRENT PROPOSED

		CURP	Z (C) [ 1 ]		 PROPUSED				
Department	County Rate	ALS Rate	FD Tax Rate	Total Rate	County Rate	ALS Rate	Fire Tax Rate	Total Rate	Overall Rate Decrease
Aberdeen	0.479	0.025	0.097	0.601	0.469	0.020	0.088	0.577	2.4
Cameron	0.479	0.025	0.105	0.609	0.469	0.020	0.097	0.586	2.3
Carthage	0.479	0.025	0.065	0.569	 0.469	0.020	0.061	0.550	1.9
Circle V	0.479	0.025	0.065	0.569	0.469	0.020	0.061	0.550	1.9
Crains Creek	0.479	0.025	0.115	0.619	0.469	0.020	0.104	0.593	2.6
Crestline	0.479	0.025	0.083	0.587	0.469	0.020	0.080	0.569	1.8
Eagle Springs	0.479	0.025	0.073	0.577	0.469	0.020	0.069	0.558	1.9
Eastwood	0.479	0.025	0.070	0.574	0.469	0.020	0.066	0.555	1.9
High Falls	0.479	0.025	. 0.049	0.553	0.469	0.020	0.047	0.536	1.7
Pinebluff	0.479	0.025	0.085	0.589	0.469	0.020	0.078	0.567	2.2
Pinehurst	0.479	0.025	0.086	0.590	 0.469	0.020	0.080	0.569	2.1
Robbins	0.479	0.025	0.063	0.567	0.469	0.020	0.060	0.549	1.8
Seven Lakes	0.479	0.025	0.042	0.546	0.469	0.020	0.038	0.527	1.9
Southern Pines	0.479	0.025	0.090	0.594	0.469	0.020	0.086	0.575	1.9
West End	0.479	0.025	0.060	0.564	 0.469	0.020	0.060	0.549	1.5
Westmoore	0.479	0.025	0.057	0.561	 0.469	0.020	0.054	0.543	1.8
*Whispering Pines	0.479	0.025	0.055	0.559	0.469	0.020	0.051	0.540	1.9

<u>Ge</u> neral Fund	Original <u>08-09 Budget</u>	Requested 09-10 Budget	Recommended 09-10 Budget	Recommended Increase/ (Decrease)	Recommended % increase/ (decrease)
Revenues:					-
Taxes					
Property taxes - current year	53,770,823	52,247,253	51,552,099	(2,218,724)	-4.1%
Property taxes - prior years	240,000	220,000	230,000	(10,000)	-4.2%
Penalties and interest	300,000	225,000	231,500	(68,500)	-22.8%
Privilege license taxes	15,000	12,000	12,000	(3,000)	-20.0%
Rental vehicle tax	45,000	42,000	42,000	(3,000)	-6.7%
Sales taxes	15,827,373	14,343,112	14,343,112	(1,484,261)	-9.4%
Alcohol Beverage Control funds	618,054	612,000	612,000	(6,054)	-1.0%
Total	70,816,250	67,701,365	67,022,711	(3,793,539)	-5.4%
General revenues					
Interest earnings	1,225,000	1,225,000	1,225,000	-	0.0%
Departmental revenues and fees	6,153,776	4,502,091	4,502,091	(1,651,685)	-26.8%
Total	7,378,776	5,727,091	5,727,091	(1,651,685)	-22.4%
Human services					
Child support enforcement	708,728	721,105	721,105	12,377	1.7%
Other grants	414,155	424,330	424,330	10,175	2.5%
Aging	896,507	881,495	881,495	(15,012)	-1.7%
Total	2,019,390	2,026,930	2,026,930	7,540	0.4%
Transfers In					
Self-Insurance Fund	-	293,314	293,314	293,314	0.0%
Capital Reserve Fund		2,730,840	2,730,840	2,730,840	0.0%
Total	<u> </u>	3,024,154	3,024,154	3,024,154	0.0%
Total revenues	80,214,416	78,479,540	77,800,886	(2,413,530)	-3.0%
Expenditures:					
General government					
Governing body	234,831	260,129	225,134	(9,697)	-4.1%
Administration	593,781	582,648	546,226	(47,555)	-8.0%
Human Resources	291,816	286,829	281,400	(10,416)	3.6%
Financial services	777,638	775,744	723,399	(54,239)	-7.0%
County attorney	649,917	671,933	611,667	(38,250)	-5.9%
Tax and revaluation	2,294,494	2,318,885	2,111,225	(183,269)	-8.0%
Elections	492,901	778,055	591,006	98,105	19.9%
Register of deeds	1,504,111	1,410,285	1,353,621	(150,490)	-10.0%
Annual Increment	200,000	210,000		(200,000)	-100.0%
Total	7,039,489	7,294,508	6,443,678	(595,811)	-8.5%

	Original 08-09 Budget	Requested 09-10 Budget	Recommended 09-10 Budget	Recommended Increase/ (Decrease)	Recommended % increase/ (decrease)
Public safety					
Sheriff	7,051,799	6,740,332	6,483,330	(568,469)	-8.1%
Detention Center	3,578,725	3,675,384	3,514,187	(64,538)	-1.8%
Day reporting center	95,853	98,552	98,552	2,699	2.8%
Public safety and E911	1,713,740	1,673,345	1,415,558	(298,182)	-17.4%
Total	12,440,117	12,187,613	11,511,627	(928,490)	-7.5%
Environment and community developme					
Solid Waste	2,096,985	2,182,758	2,055,179	(41,806)	-2.0%
Planning/community development	1,335,601	1,337,940	1,261,660	(73,941)	-5.5%
GIS	333,568	441,953	400,894	67,326	20.2%
Cooperative extension	505,257	593,590	467,010	(38,247)	-7.6%
Soil and water conservation	268,018	268,976	261,159	(6,859)	-2.6%
Total	4,539,429	4,825,217	4,445,902	(93,527)	-2.1%
Human services					
Child support enforcement	708,970	694,897	658,795	(50,175)	-7.1%
Youth services	106,646	109,494	109,136	2,490	2.3%
Veteran's service	195,439	200,241	188,925	(6,514)	-3.3%
Aging/RSVP	1,586,552	1,704,979	1,711,267	124,715	<u>7.9%</u>
Total	2,597,607	2,709,611	2,668,123	70,516	2.7%
Cultural development					
Library	564,329	567,146	533,339	(30,990)	-5.5%
Recreation	719,038	635,391	683,089	(35,949)	-5.0%
Total	1,283,367	1,202,537	1,216,428	(66,939)	-5.2%
Education					
School current expense	24,935,195	24,935,195	24,495,195	(440,000)	-1.8%
School capital outlay	933,950	1,133,950	733,950	(200,000)	-21.4%
School debt service-principal	3,644,985	4,182,202	4,288,602	643,617	17.7%
School debt service-interest	2,284,522	3,454,799	2,768,575	484,053	21.2%
College current expense	4,135,541	4,135,541	3,946,471	(189,070)	-4.6%
College capital outlay	50,000	50,000	50,000	-	0.0%
College debt service-principal	749,305	908,055	941,655	192,350	25.7%
College debt service-interest	699,251	1,109,605	885,041	185,790	26.6%
Total	37,432,749	39,909,347	38,109,489	676,740	1.8%
Grants/court facility costs	1,369,211	1,546,140	1,380,910	11,699	0.9%

	Original 08-09 Budget	Requested 09-10 Budget	Recommended 09-10 Budget	Recommended Increase/ (Decrease)	Recommended % increase/ (decrease)
Transfers					
Social service operations fund	7,244,016	4,975,844	4,758,222	(2,485,794)	-34.3%
Health operations fund	3,389,047	3,389,047	3,392,381	< 3,334	0.1%
Airport Enterprise Fund	142,704	151,086	151,086	8,382	5.9%
Airport Capital Projects Fund	59,260	-	-	(59,260)	-100.0%
Capital Reserve Fund	1,895,910	6,796,695	3,121,660	1,225,750	64.7%
Total	12,730,937	15,312,672	11,423,349	(1,307,588)	-10.3%
Other					
Debt service-principal	633,760	477,664	477,664	(156,096)	-24.6%
Debt service-interest	147,750	123,716	123,716	(24,034)	-16.3%
Total	781,510	601,380	601,380	(180,130)	-23.0%
Total expenditures	80,214,416	85,589,025	77,800,886	(2,413,530)	-3.0%
Net excess	-	(7,109,485)	-	•	
Social Services Operations Fund					
Revenues:					
Transfer from general fund	7,244,016	6,815,459	4,758,222	(2,485,794)	-34.3%
Grants and other revenues	7,215,233	6,964,132	7,504,077	288,844	4.0%
Total revenues	14,459,249	13,779,591	12,262,299	(2,196,950)	-15.2%
Expenditures:					
Administration	1,520,683	1,685,690	1,667,032	146,349	<u>9.6</u> %
Income maintenance support	262,479	262,472	239,300	(23,179)	-8.8%
Services support	726,992	686,381	689,739	(37,253)	-5.1%
Income maintenance	1,578,005	1,574,905	1,539,088	(38,917)	-2.5%
Services	2,463,276	2,286,875	2,245,217	(218,059)	-8.9%
Program allocations	4,130,942	4,237,774	4,237,923	106,981	2.6%
Entitlement programs	3,776,872	1,744,600	1,644,000	(2,132,872)	-56.5%
Total expenditures	14,459,249	12,478,697	12,262,299	(2,196,950)	-15.2%
Net excess	_	1,300,894	-	•	

	Original 08-09 Budget	Requested 09-10 Budget	Recommended 09-10 Budget	Recommended Increase/ (Decrease)	Recommended % increase/ (decrease)
Health Operations Fund					
Revenues:	2 200 047	2 200 047	2 202 201	. 2224	0.1%
Transfer from general fund	3,389,047	3,389,047	3,392,381	3,334	-18.4%
Grants and other revenues	1,873,057	1,873,057	1,528,706	(344,351)	
Total revenues	5,262,104	5,262,104	4,921,087	(341,017)	-6.5%
Expenditures:					
Health administration	826,119	909,953	849,357	23,238	2.8%
Environmental health	917,369	884,619	868,153	(49,216)	-5.4%
Clinical Support	1,348,771	1,188,687	1,177,665	(171,106)	-12.7%
Women infants and children	319,284	331,230	303,858	(15,426)	-4.8%
Community Health	56,733	59,017	62,725	5,992	10.6%
Maternal	353,514	326,645	309,336	(44,178)	-12.5%
Child Health	192,611	-	-	(192,611)	-100.0%
Child Services Coordination	224,835	270,509	298,653	73,818	32.8%
Family Planning	313,463	315,194	310,407	(3,056)	-1.0%
Other Programs	88,192	83,086	41,856	(46,336)	-52.5%
Other grants	24,000	60,609	26,851	2,851	11.9%
Animal control	597,213	650,125	672,226	75,013	12.6%
Total expenditures	5,262,104	5,079,674	4,921,087	(341,017)	-6.5%
Net excess		182,430	*	•	
Water Pollution Control Plant Fu	<u>nd</u>				
Revenues:					
User fees	2,186,391	4,056,581	4,056,581	1,870,190	85.5%
Total revenues	2,186,391	4,056,581	4,056,581	1,870,190	85.5%
Expenses:					
Operations	2,016,391	2,065,249	3,363,349	1,346,958	66.8%
Capital outlay	170,000	436,337	693,232	523,232	307.8%
Debt	<u></u>				-
Total expenses	2,186,391	2,501,586	4,056,581	1,870,190	85.5%
Net excess		1,554,995	_	-	
Public Utilities Fund					
Revenues:			•		
Water sales	5,471,581	5,090,220	5,090,220	(381,361)	-7.0%
Sewer sales	3,573,162	3,645,962	3,645,962	72,800	2.0%
Tap fees	676,300	201,000	201,000	(475,300)	-70.3%
Capacity fees	647,000	186,000	186,000	(461,000)	-71.3%
Other utility revenues	389,960	334,960	334,960	(55,000)	-14.1%
Retained earnings appropriated	785,405	1,377,419	1,377,419	592,014	75.4%
Total revenues	11,543,408	10,835,561	10,835,561	(707,847)	-6.1%

	Original 08-09 Budget	Requested 09-10 Budget	Recommended 09-10 Budget	Recommended Increase/ (Decrease)	Recommended % increase/ (decrease)
Expenses:			1.060.006	(26,017)	-2.8%
Administration/operations	1,304,352	1,311,806	1,268,335	(36,017)	-2.8% 6.4%
Maintenance	3.695,440	3,912,839	3,932,977	. 237,537	-10.4%
Water quality	1,864,834	1,667,957	1,670,503	(194,331)	-10.4% -8.2%
Engineering	241,142	232,511	221,368	(19,774)	-8.2% -7.0%
Capital outlay	2,111,000	845,000	1,963,000	(148,000)	-7.0% -23.5%
Debt service	2,326,640	1,761,271	1,779,378	(547,262)	
Total expenses	11,543,408	9,731,384	10,835,561	(707,847)	-6.1%
Net excess	-	1,104,177	-	•	0.0%
East Moore Water District Fund					
Revenues	11,937,746	8,367,207	8,367,207	(3,570,539)	-29.9%
Expenses	11,937,746	7,842,032	8,367,207	(3,570,539)	-29.9%
Net excess	-	525,175			
Information Technology Fund					
Revenues:					~= ^~
IT user fees	2,225,250	1,601,934	1,605,189	(620,061)	
Total revenues	2,225,250	1,601,934	1,605,189	(620,061)	-27.9%
Expenses:					
Operations	1,547,350	1,467,707	1,547,189	(161)	0.0%
Capital outlay	612,900	485,353	58,000	(554,900)	
Debt service	65,000	256,441	, <u>-</u>	(65,000)	
Total expenses	2,225,250	2,209,501	1,605,189	(620,061)	-27.9%
Net excess		(607,567)	) <u>-</u>		
Self-Insurance Fund	6,850,101	7,010,060	7,010,649	160,548	2.3%
Revenues	6,850,101	7,010,060	7,010,649	160,548	2.3%
Expenses	0,830,101	7,199,550	7,010,047	100,540	2.570
Net excess		(189,490)	) <u> </u>	_	

Property Management Fund	Original 08-09 Budget	Requested 09-10 Budget	Recommended 09-10 Budget	Recommended Increase/ (Decrease)	Recommended % increase/ (decrease)
Revenues:					
Property management fees	1,900,782	4,665,540	4,675,311	2;774,529	146.0%
Rental fees	15,000	16,000	16,000	1,000	6.7%
Vehicle user fees	2,352,708	-	-	(2,352,708)	-100.0%
Appropriated Retained Earnings	882,558				0.0%
Total revenues	5,151,048	4,681,540	4,691,311	(459,737)	-8.9%
Expenses:					
Administration/operations	398,200	325,907	287,821	(110,379)	-27.7%
Maintenance	617,419	679,489	679,502	62,083	10.1%
Custodial services	551,010	545,880	548,615	(2,395)	-0.4%
Garage services	2,454,919	2,195,393	2,124,973	(329,946)	-13.4%
Utilities	756,000	746,400	746,400	(9,600)	-1.3%
Capital outlay	373,500	499,500	304,000	(69,500)	-18.6%
Total expenses	5,151,048	4,992,569	4,691,311	(459,737)	-8.9%
Net excess	<u></u>	(311,029)	<u>-</u>	-	
Emergency Medical Services Fun	<u>ıd</u>				
Revenues:					
Property taxes	2,716,350	2,261,475	2,250,590	(465,760)	-17.1%
Fees / other revenues	2,409,289	1,907,742	1,941,432	(467,857)	-19.4%
Appropriated fund balance		412,937	412,937	412,937	-
Total revenues	5,125,639	4,582,154	4,604,959	(520,680)	-10.2%
Expenditures:					
Operations	4,604,702	4,296,171	4,192,022	(412,680)	-9.0%
Capital outlay	520,937	387,937	412,937	(108,000)	-20.7%
Total expenditures	5,125,639	4,684,108	4,604,959	(520,680)	-10.2%
Net excess		(101,954)	-	<u>.</u>	

	Original 08-09 Budget	Requested 09-10 Budget	Recommended 09-10 Budget	Recommended Increase/ (Decrease)	Recommended % increase/ (decrease)
911 Telephone System Fund					
Revenues:	632,354	632,354	632,354		0.0%
Revenues - E911 telephone fees			632,354		0.0%
Total revenues	632,354	632,354	032,334		0.070
Expenditures:	101 714	304,775	359,311	227,597	172.8%
Operations	131,714 500,640	304,773	273,043	(227,597)	-45.5%
Capital outlay		632,354	632,354	(227,377)	0.0%
Total expenditures	632,354	032,334	032,334		0.070
Net excess	-	-	_	_	
Capital Reserve Fund					
Revenues:			2 121 ((0	2 121 660	
Transfer from General Fund	<del>-</del>	-	3,121,660 1,330,404	3,121,660 1,330,404	
Transfer from WPCP		<del></del>			
		<u>-</u>	4,452,064	4,452,064	-
Expenditures:					•
Transfer to General Fund			2,730,840	2,730,840	-
Available to be transferred to GF		· <u>-</u>	390,820	390,820	
Available to be transferred to WPCP	-	-	1,330,404	1,330,404	
	-		4,452,064	4,452,064	-
·					
Net excess	<u> </u>		•		
MCTS Operations Fund			,		
Revenues:  Revenues - user fees	630,566	744,396	748,367	117,801	18.7%
Grants	563,832	579,970	579,970	16,138	2.9%
Sale of fixed assets	505,032	9,000	9,000	9,000	
Total revenues	1,194,398	1,333,366	1,337,337	142,939	12.0%
Total Terolides				<u></u>	
Expenditures:					
Operations	1,071,450	1,281,453		159,695	14.9%
Capital outlay	122,948	106,192	106,192	(16,756)	
Total expenditures	1,194,398	1,387,645	1,337,337	142,939	12.0%
Net excess	-	(54,279)	)		

				Recommended	Recommended
	Original	Requested	Recommended	Increase/	% increase/
	08-09 Budget	09-10 Budget	09-10 Budget	(Decrease)	(decrease)
	-				
General fund	80,214,416	85,589,025	77,800,886	(2,413,530)	-3.0%
Social services fund	14,459,249	12,478,697	12,262,299	(2,196,950)	-15.2%
Health operations fund	5,262,104	5,079,674	4,921,087	(341,017)	-6.5%
Wastewater fund	2,186,391	2,501,586	4,056,581	1,870,190	85.5%
Public utilities fund	11,543,408	9,731,384	10,835,561	(707,847)	-6.1%
EMWD fund	11,937,746	7,842,032	8,367,207	(3,570,539)	-29.9%
IT fund	2,225,250	2,209,501	1,605,189	(620,061)	-27.9%
Self Insurance fund	6,850,101	7,199,550	7,010,649	160,548	2.3%
Property management fund	5,151,048	4,992,569	4,691,311	(459,737)	-8.9%
Capital Rserve Fund	-	-	4,452,064	4,452,064	-
EMS fund	5,125,639	4,684,108	4,604,959	(520,680)	-10.2%
E911 fund	632,354	632,354	632,354	-	0.0%
MCTS operations fund	1,194,398	1,387,645	1,337,337	142,939	12.0%
Total budget	146,782,104	144,328,125	142,577,484	(4,204,620)	-2.9%
Less transfers	(12,730,937)	(15,161,586)	(11,272,263)	1,315,970	-10.3%
Net budget	134,051,167	129,166,539	131,305,221	(2,888,650)	-2.2%

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		\$90,026,000	76,000	8.4	\$72,395	8.0	\$73,601	8.3	0.0
	0   \$154,879	\$214,003,000	151,511	7.1	\$147,135	6.9	\$149,663	7.1	-0.2
	2 \$145,875	\$209,728,000	144,625	6.9	\$138,582	9.9	\$142,542	6.9	-0.1
	7 \$74,267	\$151,494,000	000'06	5.9	\$70,553	4.7	\$73,119	4.9	0.0
	7   \$167,092	\$203,084,000	174,264	8.6	\$158,737	7.8	\$168,032	8.4	-0.1
\$605,781,415 8.6 \$510,553	3 \$536,325	\$640,479,000	536,346	8.4	\$99,508	8.0	\$529,932	8.4	-0.2
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\* No Request Submitted TB=Value TR= Rate RB=Requested Budget MRR=Managers Recommended Rate

Schedule A - Special District Tax Rates

Fire District	Current <u>Rate</u>	2009-2010 Tax Base	2009-2010 Tax Rate	2009-2010 <u>Budget</u>
Aberdeen	0.097	80,980,000	0.090	71,789
Cameron	0.105	148,692,000	0.103	150,855
Carthage	0.065	351,058,000	0.062	214,391
Circle V - Vass	0.065	615,123,000	0.063	381,715
Crains Creek	0.115	90,342,000	0.115	102,335
Crestline	0.083	90,026,000	0.083	73,601
Eagle Springs	0.073	214,003,000	0.071	149,663
Eastwood	0.070	209,728,000	0.069	142,542
High Falls	0.049	151,494,000	0.049	73,119
Pinebluff	0.085	203,084,000	0.084	168,032
Pinehurst	0.086	640,479,000	0.080	504,697
Robbins	0.063	259,379,000	0.063	160,958
Seven Lakes	0.042	653,313,000	0.038	244,535
Southern Pines	0.090	532,994,000	0.089	467,249
West End	0.060	420,576,000	0.060	248,560
Westmoore	0.057	175,701,000	0.057	98,647
Whispering Pines	0.055	129,453,000	0.055	70,131
			Total	3,322,819

#### Municipalities\*\*\*

Aberdeen

Cameron

Carthage

Pinehurst

Southern Pines

Taylortown

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\*\*\* As approved by respective council